

District Three Planning Committee

Meeting Minutes

September 21, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 5:37 pm by Chair Jim Tate Hill.

Present:

Jim Tate Hill
Charles Dowling
Margie Reisz
Crystal Jackson
Debbie Darden

Absent:

Abraham Lopez

Others Present:

Brunette Harris, Bobby Parks, Le Sneed, Rita McPeters, Robert Sneed, Carlos Horta, Bob Berend with Planning and Development Department, David Braun with Planning and Development Department, Jose Sanchez, Otto Navarro, Fredric W. Ritte, Rev. Reginald Thomas, Joann Zuniga with Planning and Development Department, Kahliah Laney and See Moua with Council President Cynthia Sterling's Office

Approval of Minutes:

M/ Jackson and S/ Reisz to approve minutes with minor changes.

Passes (5-0)

Review of Projects:

S-09-61 801 B Street

Carlos Horta provided an overview of the project with proposed changes of putting a manually operated handicap riser on the side of the front porch and a walkway along the side of the project.

Rita McPeters was concerned about the manual handicap riser and that it might discriminate against other kinds of disabilities. Bob Berend with the Planning and Development Department informed that the project has to meet ADA standards.

M/ Reisz and S/ Dowling to approve project S-09-61 with the recommendations that the project meet all ADA requirements.

Passes (4-1) with Darden abstaining.

C-09-169 4008 West McKinley Avenue

David Braun presented the project informing that it recently got annexed into the City.

Concerns from the committee were brought up the taco truck that park on the lot and the amount of people hanging around drinking alcohol. There also concerns about other liquor stores in the area, including Save Mart. The committee asked whether information regarding the number of police reports in the area was available.

Request from the committee for the project to be brought back.

Passes unanimously (5-0)

C-09-173 849 East Divisadero Street

Jose Sanchez and Otto Navarro provided an overview of the project and that they want to focus on helping children in the neighborhood, focusing on afterschool activities such as teaching children how to play the

piano and how to sing. They continued to report that the building was bought in 2005 but that they have been helping children in the neighborhood since 2000. Mr. Sanchez informed that the Fire Department did an inspection and informed that the doors needed to be upgraded.

M/ Jackson and **S/** Darden to approve project C-09-173 with the recommendations that

- all Fire inspections are completed
- there are sufficient lighting and parking available

Passes (5-0)

C-09-140 2208 south Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard

Fredric W. Ritte, on behalf of AT&T, Rev. Reginald Thomas, and Joann Zuniga with the Planning and Development Department provided an overview of the project. Mr. Ritte informed that landscaping will be maintained, instead of chain link fence; there will be hard concrete block walls so that it can be consistent with the church there. There will be rod iron fence for the church, along the north side and back side. There will be a technician at the site once a month to clean the filtration and air cleaning equipment. An emergency number will be posted at the site. Joann added that the cell tower will meet all City requirements.

Some concerns were brought up from the community about how tall the tower will be, the height of the fence, health risk, and tampering.

Mr. Ritte informed that tower will be 70 feet high and will help provide coverage for AT&T customers. If there should any kind of tampering, customers will be notified and the situation would be investigated. Mr. Ritte does not believe that there are any immediate health risks to have the cell tower there and notices were sent out to residents nearby.

Reisz asked Rev. Thomas whether or not he would want a 7 ft fence, which would have to be approved by the director. Rev. Thomas informed that a 7 ft fence would be inconsistent with the neighborhood.

Hill wanted to make sure that the 5 ft space from the property line of the church and the facility will be fenced in for security and safety reasons. Also to make sure that the cell tower would blend in with the trees.

M/Hill and **S/Jackson** to approve project C-09-140 with the recommendations that

- the cell tower blend in with the trees
- the 5 ft space from the property line of the church and the tower be fenced off
- there be sufficient lighting available around the area

Passes (5-0)

M/ Jackson and **S/** Dowling to adjourn the meeting at 7:17pm.